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re the Application of:  
MARUO ) Group Art Unit: 2822  
Serial No. 09/687,197 ) Examiner: Duong, K.  
Filed: October 14, 2000 )  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES )  
AND METHODS FOR )  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME )

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated July 17, 2002, the response being due by Monday, August 19, 2002 (August 17 was a Saturday), please enter and consider the following.

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-10 and 26, drawn to methods for manufacturing a semiconductor device.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested. It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this paper. If however, any such fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0585. A copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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